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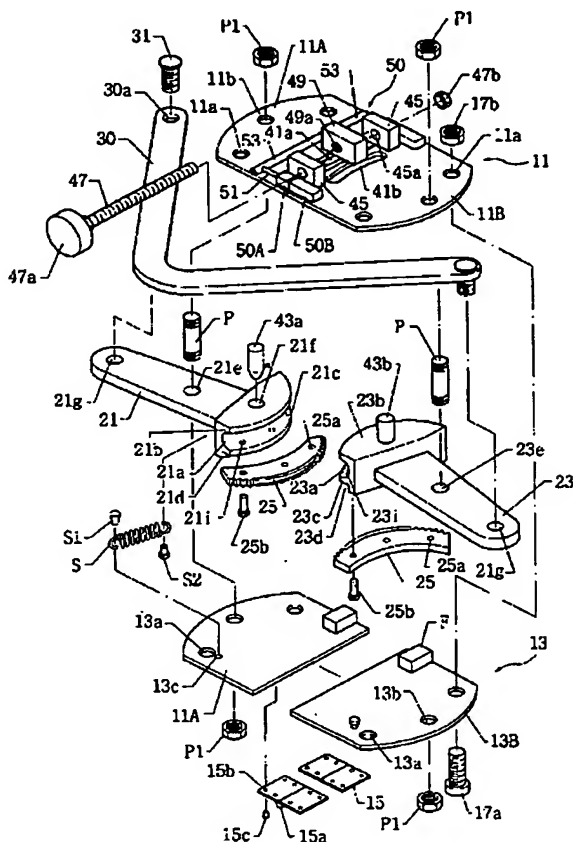
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personal descent apparatus comprises a pair of supporting plates
connected to each other front and rear with a predetermined gap,
braking rods rotatably fixed to the pair of supporting plates in the
predetermined gap between the pair of supporting plates, the brak-
ing rods form a passage which is formed by two guide grooves each
of which is tapered and formed at arc ends facing to each other, so
that a rope is inserted to the passage, and weight receiving means
connected to both ends of the braking rods for receiving a load,
wherein the braking rods are rotated by the load.

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